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In re the Application of: **ASTLES, et al.**Examiner: **CHANG, CELIA**Serial No.: **09/843,126**Group Art Unit: **1625**Filed: **26 April 2001**Title: **CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS**To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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(Signature of person mailing paper)**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement (Paper no. 5) mailed September 9, 2002, restriction was alleged to be required pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121. Applicants also file concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response for five (5) months, or until March 9, 2003.

I. Status of Claims

Claims 1-72 are pending in the instant application.

II. Discussion of Restriction Requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121

The Examiner's alleged basis for requiring the Restriction Requirement is that

I. Claims 36-50, 52, drawn to piperidiny compounds and compositions, classified in class 546, subclass various depending on species election. If this group is a further election of a single disclosed species is also required. If this group is elected

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